

Copy for Officer i/c, Special Branch

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Functioning of a detective from the Public Safety Bureau in the Settlement.

At 12:15p.m. 30/4/34 Mr. Y.M. Cheng the Chief Clerk of the Continental Bank Ltd at 28 Tientsin Road and residing at 82 Tsz Loong of Kou Men Di, Nantao with the assistance of C.P.W. 2126 brought to the Station one named Wu Tsch Ching (吳翠卿) for creating a disturbance on the premises of the above Bank.

From Mr. Y.M. Cheng it was learned that about 11:30 a.m. Wu approached him in the Bank and asked whether he (Cheng) wrote the letter to <sup>Government</sup> Banking containing information re arrival of some communist to Shanghai. On receiving negative answer Wu said that they are in possession of that letter and on being asked that whom he meant "they" Wu stated that he was a detective attached to Special Branch of Public Safety Bureau, but refused to produce any documents of identification to that effect. Consequently Y.M. Cheng refused to answer any of Wu's questions. Then Wu said that "you will fix <sup>you</sup> in Nantao very soon". This was said in such a manner that Y.M. Cheng was compelled to refer the matter to the Police.

At the Station Wu produced his identification card issued by the Public Safety Bureau proving that he was honorably detective No. 316 attached to the Special Branch of the Bureau.

He also stated that he went to the Continental Bank

to interview Y.M. Cheng in the course of his enquiries re the communistic movements and that order to do so, he received from Mr. Liu Hwa i/c of the Special Branch of the Public Safety Bureau.

He explained the case as follows:-

A letter was sent to Nanking by some one who signed his name as Chang Yung Cheng residing at 52 Tsze Ts Loong of Keu Keu Di, Nantao informing the Authorities that certain communist named Tong Tsing (童錦) recently arrived in Shanghai from Kiangsu Province.

This morning Wu visited the writer's address in Nantao and was informed that Y.M. Cheng could be seen in The Continental Bank. Wu denied creating disturbance in the Bank and also stated that he was not aware of the procedure that all enquiries in the Settlement when persons were to be interviewed must be made with the assistance of the Police District concerned.

De-Go "A" was communicated with and instructed to bring the matter to the notice of Mr. Liu Hwa and to ask him to send some representative who may identify Wu and to get all required particulars from Y.M. Cheng.

At about 4 p.m. one Chang Ching Tai detective Inspector of the Public Safety Bureau arrived and carried out all the necessary enquiries. At about 7 p.m. same date Y.M. Cheng came again to the Station together with a Mr. Tong Tsing a clerk employed by the Continental Bank.

who was transferred from the Tientsin Branch about four months ago. Tong Tsing's name was mentioned in the letter as of a communist who had arrived in Shanghai.

The both men stated that they strongly suspected one Tao Chi Yao being the writer of the letter and as the reasons for their suspicions they gave the following grounds that:-

(1) Tao Chi Yao was the only person amongst all the staff with whom they both were on very bad terms (2) The address of Y.M. Cheng mentioned in the letter could be known only to same one in the Bank and (3) That to Y.M. Cheng who saw the letter the handwriting appeared to be very similar to that of Tao Chi Yao's.

D.S. Belobrko has been  
instructed to obtain specimen  
of Tao Chi Yao's handwriting  
for comparison of the  
City Authority will lend  
us the original letter

They also informed the undersigned that if it would be necessary they may supply the Police with Tao's handwriting for comparison.

The letter in question had been shown to Det. Inspt. Ross of Special Branch.

J.C.

D.I. Kuk.

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H. Belobrko

D.S. Kuk.

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Reg: Passed to you. p.t.  
DBR 4/5

Copy for Officer I/c. Sp1. Branch.

Bubbling Well

Saturday

24th March 1934

ILLEGAL  
FUNCTIONING.

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Recorded  
W.H.S. 24/3/34

At about 2.30 p.m. on the 23-3-34, Motor Bus, license No.15199, driver No.166, was proceeding East along the HungJao Road and when near Warren Road it collided with a public ricksha which was being plied in a haphazard manner on the road. The ricksha when struck turned over and one of the iron stands struck the coolie on the right heel causing a deep lacerated wound. No damage to vehicles. Members of the Bureau of Public Safety who were on the scene arrested the driver of the Bus and took him to the Poh Sing Ching Sub-Station. Inspector Chamberlain attended, and after communicating with Colonel Tan Bo Sheo and informing him that the accident had occurred on a Municipal Road, the driver was handed over and released at Bubbling Well Station after particulars of the accident had been obtained.

Ricksha coolie treated at the Red Cross Hospital but not detained.

ARMED ROBBERY.

At 7.25 p.m. on the 23-3-34, two men both armed with pistols entered the open front door of a rice shop situated at No.241 Annam Road, and after intimidating the inmates one of the robbers remained on guard over them whilst the other robber proceeded to the rear of the shop and stole \$32.00 from the accountant's drawer. They then left by point of entr and proceeded South on Hardeon Road.

They were followed by two of the shop assistants who raised an alarm whereupon the robbers commenced to run and one of them discharged his pistol twice into the roadway without turning around. The assistants then give up the pursuit and the robbers made good their escape.

Reported at Station by telephone at 7.30 p.m. and three parties of Police who attended searched the streets in the vicinity without result.

Nearest Police to scene of robbery at Hardeon & Bubbling Well Roads, 150 yards away, did not see or hear anything unusual. Circulated and inquiries proceeding.  
(For detailed report see Crime Register No.224).

PATROL  
MOTOR CYCLES.

P.S.256 Rose in charge of motor cycle B.26 patrolled all Extra Settlement Roads between 7-9 a.m. and 3-7 p.m. on the 23-3-34. No reports. No arrests.

P.S.353 Gutbush in charge of motor cycle B.31 patrolled Extra Settlement Roads West of the Railway Line between 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and 7-11 p.m. on the 23-3-34. No reports. No arrests.

P.S.364 Hallay in charge of motor cycle B.28 Patrolled Extra Settlement Roads East of the Railway Line between 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and 7-11 p.m. on the 23-3-34. No reports. No arrests.

P.S.370 Seaby in charge of motor cycle B.40 patrolled all Extra Settlement Roads between 11 p.m. the 23rd and 7 a.m. the 24th inst. No reports. No arrests.

SEARCH PARTY  
FUNCTIONING.

P.S.280 Boronovsky in charge of an armed party patrolled various roads and byways in the district between 2-6 p.m. on the 23-3-34 and reports having stopped and examined 4 motor cycles, 8 rickshas and a number of pedestrians. No reports. No arrests.

PATROL  
TAXI VAN No.62001

P.S.280 Boronovsky in charge of an armed party functioned at various points on different roads in the district between 2-6 p.m. on the 23-3-34 and reports having stopped and examined 1 taxi van. No reports. A number of passengers to report.

*Delivered officer in*

Bubbling Well

Nowday

5th Feb. 4.

Initials  
RECORDED

At 11.30 p.m. on the 4-2-34, S. I.C. 1092 inf recd the static by telephone that the Chapai Police had arrested a Bus Conductor and Riccha co. lie for fighting on Brennan Road.

S. I. Myerscough proceeded to the 6th Division B.C.C. and there ascertained that fight had occurred between Bus Conductor No. 8 and the Riccha co. lie when the conductor remonstrated with a number of coolies for causing annoyance to passengers when leaving the bus.

Chapai Police who were first on the scene, prevented J.C.P. Police from interfering and took both parties to the 6th Division Station where S. I. Myerscough asked that they be handed over as the offence had occurred on a Municipal Road. His request was refused by the Inspector in charge who stated that the Riccha coolie would be fined Rs. 50 and sentenced to 2 days detention for assaulting the conductor who was allowed to go.

MOTOR CYCLE  
ARRESTS

F.C. 370 Seaby in charge of motor cycle No. 30 patrolled Extra Settlement Roads between 7-11 a.m. and 3-7 p.m. on the 4-2-34 and reports having seen three armed members of the Merchant Volunteers patrolling on Brennan Road at 9-30 a.m. 4-2-34.

F.C. 102 Kelly in charge of motor cycle No. 35 patrolled Extra Settlement Roads between 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and 7-11 p.m. on the 4-2-34 and reports an armed member of the Peace Preservation Corps on duty at St. Western and Kawiski Roads corner at 7-30 p.m. 4-2-34.

F.C. 383 Outchuk in charge of motor cycle No. 21 patrolled Extra Settlement Roads between 11 p.m. on the 4-2-34 and 7 a.m. on the 5-2-34. No reports, no arrests.

F.C. 38 Carter and F.C. 288 Jones, Reserve Unit, Capt. in charge of motor cycles No. 17-20, patrolled the Bimac Road from Avenue Road to Mawmaw Road between 9 a.m.-11 noon and 3-7 p.m. on the 4-2-34. No reports, no arrests.

F.C. 38 Stewart and F.C. 334 May, Reserve Unit, Capt. in charge of motor cycles No. 19-20, patrolled the Bimac Road from Avenue Road to Mawmaw Road between 12 noon to 4 p.m. on the 4-2-34. No reports, no arrests.

F.C. 388 Price in charge of an armed guard patrolled Avenue Road and Mawmaw Road on the 4-2-34 between 9-30 a.m.-11 noon and 3-7 p.m. No reports, no arrests.

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Recorded  
4-2-34.

SEARCH PARTY  
S.M.P.  
RESULTS.

F.S. #217 Vassilieff in charge of three S.M.P. Specials and two S.M.P.s operated on various roads in the District, North of Bubbling Well Road and East of Avenue Haig, between 7-9 p.m. on the 4-2-34 and reports having stopped and examined 3 motor cars, 9 rickshas and a number of pedestrians. No reports, no arrests.

*J. B. Brewster*  
Officer in charge.

Copy for Officer i/c. Spl. Branch.

Bubbling Well

Friday

2nd February 1934

At 9.35 a.m. on the 1-2-34, Mr. Jo Barkley, D.P.O., reported at station that three of his coolies had been arrested by the Chapei Police.

Inspector Chamberlain attended and ascertained that the coolies had been arrested for dumping garbage at the rear of premises No.53 Great Western Road, Chinese territory, arrangements having been made between the owner of the premises, Dong Cheng Cycle Co. and the coolies to fill in a large pool of water.

Colonel Tan Bo Shao released the coolies, and requested that no more garbage be dumped until the Bureau of Sanitation, Shanghai City Government, had been communicated with.

At 6.30 a.m. on the 1-2-34, C.D.S. No.8, attached to the Bureau of Public Safety, came to the station with S.S.C. Court warrant No.1242 and requested assistance to proceed to Room 281, House 53 Hart Road, to arrest one named Kau Yew Sheng, on a charge of embezzlement.

Assistance rendered but the wanted person was not located. His son, Kau Gee Kho, aged 31, was found on the premises, and at the request of the B.P.S. it was stated that a warrant had been issued for his arrest on a charge of misappropriation) he was brought to the station. The warrant No.1247 was later produced by the B.P.S. and the accused will appear before the S.S.C. Court this a.m. 2-2-34 when the B.P.S. will make an application for his extradition.

At 11.30 p.m. on the 1-2-34, a telephone message was received from the G.O.C. reporting that the ambulance had been called to House 281, Hart Road, Shanghai.

Inspector Chamberlain went at 10.30 p.m. on the 1-2-34 to Room 281, House 53 Hart Road, Shanghai, where he

found at the above address, Kau Yew Sheng with his son, Kau Gee Kho, and other friends in the premises. Kau Yew Sheng was about to return to his country and Kau Gee Kho was about to return to his country. Kau Yew Sheng was called out and Kau Gee Kho was also called out. Kau Yew Sheng was then arrested and Kau Gee Kho was then arrested.

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SEARCH PARTY  
ARREST.

7.0.304 Malley in charge of an armed party patrolled various roads and alleyways in the district between 8-10 p.m. on the 1-2-34 and reports having stopped and examined 4 motor cars, 10 rickshaws and a number of pedestrians. No reports, no arrests.

SEARCH PARTY  
No. 94  
SEARCH PARTY.

7.0.192 Biggs in charge of an armed party functioned at various points on different roads in the district between 2-5 p.m. on the 1-2-34 and reports having stopped and examined 9 motor cars, 12 rickshaws and a number of pedestrians. No reports, no arrests.

*Baberisold*  
Officer in charge.